

Form PTO-1449 (MODIFIED)	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	ATTY. DOCKET NO. ERA-PAT015-US5	SERIAL NO. 09/977,615
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION JAN 31 2004 (Use several sheets if necessary)		APPLICANTS Jennifer K. Grenier, et al	
		FILING DATE 10/15/2001	GROUP ART UNIT 1634

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB- CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
<i>u</i>	—	5,604,097	2/18/97	Brenner			
	—	5,605,794	2/25/97	Rust et al.			
	—	5,679,524	10/21/97	Nikiforov et al			
	—	5,681,702	10/28/97	Collins et al			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB- CLASS	TRANSLATION	
							YES	NO
<i>u</i>	—	WO 96/31622	10.10.96	WO				
	—	EP 0-742-287-A2	13.11.96	EP				
	—	WO 97/46711	11.12.97	WO				
	—	WO 98/14610	9.4.98	WO				

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

<i>u</i>	—	International Search Report from PCT/US01/31993

EXAMINER

Julian

DATE CONSIDERED

12/10/2004

- * EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include any copy of this form with next communication to applicant.